

GreenSweep Saturday Workdays



The Nature Conservancy's GreenSweep program gets people involved in the restoration and management of Florida Keys natural areas that sorely need help! So please set some time aside on the FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH, from 9 a.m. to noon, grab a friend or family member, pull on your work gloves (or borrow ours) and lend a hand. Give us a call to schedule a group!

For more info and directions email The Nature Conservancy at chuck_byrd@tnc.org

December 3rd

Island Preschool, Key Largo

Situated on 2 acres of mostly natural land, the Island Preschool in Key Largo directly neighbors Pennekamp State Park lands. Roll down your sleeves for this half-day workday to help the school fulfill its goal of being beneficial for growing children and native plants.

January 7th

National Key Deer Refuge, Big Pine Key

Pine rocklands, the main habitat of the Key Deer, needs fire to keep it sunlit and healthy, but fire doesn't mix well with houses. Join us in our efforts to help nature and humans mix by "thinning" the woods edge with loppers and machetes, mimicking fire without the household dangers. Learn what you can do to fireproof your own house.

February 4th

Tropical Crane Point Hammock, Marathon

Everybody's favorite! In a few short years Tropical Crane Point Hammock has made a large dent in its invasive exotics problems, making great strides to protect the 63 acres within its boundaries. Prepare to get dirty in our 4th annual Snakeplant Pull-A-Thon!

March 4th

Boca Chica Beach, Boca Chica

We just couldn't resist getting back to the beach! In a two-part effort, we'll be cutting down invasive exotics and planting back natives. Stay after to enjoy the waters on the beach that only the locals know about.

April 1st

National Key Deer Refuge, Big Pine Key

With all the hurricane downed debris wildfire is a bigger danger now than ever. Join us where the pinelands meet civilization to bring back the sunlight critical for the wildflowers and shrubs. While you're hauling away palm fronds and pine needles, make sure you keep your eye out for key deer!

May 6th

Key West White Crowned Pigeon Planting

Key West's historic salt ponds, once home to transient tents and trash, is now going to the birds! Join us on our fourth restoration planting specifically designed to benefit the endangered white crowned pigeon.

June 3rd

Sea Oats Beach Planting

Last GreenSweep day of the season! The Village and the turtles need our help so we'll be heading to the beach to restore the native dune plants that help hold the sand together and protect our scarce sea turtle nests against storm damage. Don't forget your appetites for our end of season celebration!